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THE WASHINGTON HERALD IN NEW FIELDS

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The happiest hour of a newspaper reporter's life is when he scores a "best" on his rivals. Everybody around the office has a word of congratulation for him. He puffs up and feels good all over, and goes away to some secluded corner of the office and argues it out with himself whether such an exhibition of vim and energy and perspicacity isn't sufficient to justify a frontal attack on the "Old Man," and, incidentally, a decided boost in the matter of salary. But when the newspaper itself scores the best how much bigger and bolder everybody feels from editor-in-chief down to office boy.

Now, the Washington Herald has just scored a big best. Not a best in the matter of an exclusive story this time, for the Herald is used to that kind, but a best in time, a best in speed, and, more than all, a best in enterprise and business push.

Thanks to a superior news service, superior mechanical department, and live circulation work, the Washington Herald steps suddenly to the forefront among all the daily papers, morning or evening, in that busy land of industrial and agricultural resources between Gordonsville, in "Old Virginia," and Huntington, W. Va., along the line of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and its numerous branches. Beginning at Gordonsville, the Herald arrives full a half business day ahead of its nearest rival, and the farther West you travel the more decided does the advantage appear. Cities and towns that, aside from their local papers, have never known what it is to have a morning paper before the afternoon, are now receiving their Herald in time to furnish a newsy accompaniment to breakfast.

Taft's Headquarters at Breakfast.
Another feature of this best of the Herald is the fact that at Candidate Taft's headquarters, Hot Springs, Va., the Washington Herald is the only metropolitan daily to reach the candidate on the morning of his publication. Every other newspaper arrives there either in the late afternoon or the following day.

Benefits Merchants.
Most important of all is the incalculable benefit brought to the business interests of the National Capital by this splendid Herald enterprise.

The purchasing point of a community is the point from which the news of the general and special markets is derived. The general purchaser, the buyer for the home, the speculator, the investor, the prospective merry-maker, the bank depositor, and the bargain hunter in the lesser urban and in the strictly rural communities will do their buying in the big city with which they are in closest touch, and the Washington Herald to-day, by reason of this bold step into a new field, becomes at once the home paper of a district 300 miles long and 100 miles broad, with a population of close to 400,000 busy, hard-working, money-making Americans.

Take a look at some of the towns where the Washington Herald in one week has changed the fastidious newspaper conditions that have maintained for half a century, and before that were worse. At one stroke old Virginia's rich farm lands and industrial enterprise and West Virginia's vast coal, iron, and timber country are brought a day nearer Washington. Think it over. Here are some of the cities and towns:

GORDONSVILLE, VA.
(Population, 1,200.)
Junction point for two divisions of the C. and O. Railroad; important trading point for Orange and Louisa counties. It is beautifully situated.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.
(Population, 10,000.)
The county seat of Albemarle County, is situated in one of the most fertile and picturesque sections of Virginia, and one rich in historic associations. On Monticello, two miles east of the city, Thomas Jefferson lived, and there he lies buried. The University of Virginia, the child of Jefferson's old age, which appears on the western edge of the city, is a leading educational institution. Its buildings are unique in architecture.

The Charlottesville Woolen Mills, located just east of the city, supply West Point and the majority of United States army uniforms.

BASIC CITY, VA.
(Population, 1,100.)
The junction of the Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western railroads; busy little town, with numerous industries and a growing community.

WAYNESBORO, VA.
(Population, 1,500.)
Another bustling little town, the home of the Fishburne Boys' School, and quite a summer resort in a quiet way.

STAUNTON, VA.
(Population, 13,000.)
This beautifully situated city, on the west side of the renowned Valley of Virginia, is the county seat of Augusta, one of the largest and most productive counties of Virginia, originally extending to the Mississippi River. Staunton has a fine trade, and its transportation facilities are excellent. The Valley branch of the Baltimore and Ohio, between Harpers Ferry and Lexington, intersects the Chesapeake and Ohio here. The Western State Hospital and the Asylum for the Deaf and Blind are located here; also the Mary Baldwin Seminary, the Virginia Female Institute, and the Staunton Military Academy.

CLIFTON FORGE, VA.
(Population, 4,000.)
Division point and location of extensive railway shops of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. On the bluff overlooking the Jackson River is the railway hospital, for the benefit of sick and injured employees. The Y. M. C. A. branch occupies a handsome building, containing a library of 2,000 volumes. Clifton Forge is a busy iron center, with no less than six big furnaces.

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COVINGTON, VA.
(Population, 3,000.)
Seat of Alleghany County and junction of Warm Springs Valley branch to the Virginia Hot Springs, twenty-five miles distant.

The West Virginia Pulp and Paper Mill at Covington is one of the largest in the country. The Low Moor Iron Furnace, the De Ford Tannery, the Covington Machine Foundry, and McAllister & Bell's Flouring Mills all have large outputs. Another large iron furnace is located at Low Moor Station, eight miles east.

ROCHESTER, W. VA.
(Population, 1,300.)
Situated on Greenbrier River. Has extensive lumbering interests. Station for Salt Sulphur Springs, fourteen miles by stage, a charming old-time resort. Terminal of the Greenbrier division, extending fifty miles up the Greenbrier River; noted for its wild and beautiful scenery and excellent fishing.

HINTON, W. VA.
(Population, 4,000.)
Seat of Summers County. On New River, at mouth of the Greenbrier. Division point and headquarters of Huntington division. Big repair shops located here.

ALDERSON, W. VA.
(Population, 1,000.)
An attractive village on the Greenbrier River, which here exhibits some of its

most charming moods. Alderson is the distributing center for rich agricultural and timber country surrounding it.

HANDLEY, W. VA.
(Population, 1,000.)
Situated on the Great Kanawha River, thirteen miles below the falls. The center of the Kanawha coal district.

MONTGOMERY, W. VA.
(Population, 3,500.)
Situated on the Great Kanawha River. A mining town in the Kanawha coal belt. Commercial interests of considerable magnitude, being trade center for Kanawha coal fields.

CHARLESTON, W. VA.
(Population, 15,000.)
The capital of West Virginia, and one of its principal cities, situated on the bank of the Great Kanawha at the confluence of Elk River. Is a splendid example of the vim and vigor of this progressive region. Beautiful residences line the river bank, and many fine public and private buildings adorn the city. Being the center of the coal mining and lumber district, it has a large commercial trade in supplies of all kinds. It has boiler works, foundry and machine shops, brick works, woolen mills, and minor factories. Charleston is an important railway center.

HUNTINGTON, W. VA.
(Population, 20,000.)
Seat of Cabell County, and one of the chief cities in the State. Situated on the Ohio River, near intersection of the Big Sandy and Guyandot rivers, both great logging streams. Natural gas is used by manufacturing plants and for lighting and heating houses. Few places offer greater inducements for home-seekers, investors, or manufacturing enterprises. The Chesapeake and Ohio shops, the American Car and Foundry Company, and other industries furnish employment for upward of half the city's population.

Rich in Resources.
In the foregoing much has been left unsaid regarding the wonderful agricultural resources and the great farming community which stretches north and south of the Chesapeake and Ohio's main line. Nor have the host of summer resorts which dot the mountainsides been considered at all.

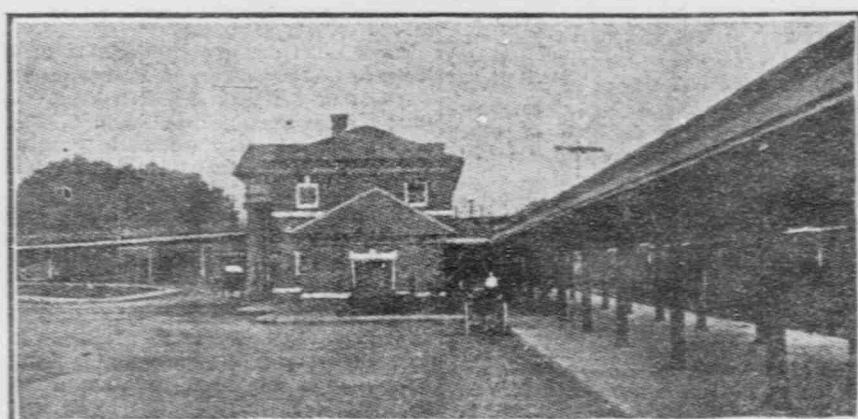
The slope of the Blue Ridge Mountains is known as the premier apple-growing section of the world. The orchards have long been celebrated. Albemarle and Rap-

pahannock counties are the home of the famous Albemarle pippin, which, in competition with the apples of the world on the Liverpool market, brings the highest price. When England imposed a tariff on apples, this variety, by special act of Parliament, was admitted free of duty on account of its superiority.

Of course, the primary object of The Washington Herald is to increase its circulation, and thereby increase its usefulness to the community.



Augusta County Courthouse, Staunton, Va.



Union Depot, Charlottesville, Va.

road beyond that point, there should be no difficulty on the part of Washington wholesale merchants, jobbers, and retailers in developing large, profitable business throughout the Valley of Virginia and myriad interlocking valleys of the Kanawha region.

The enterprise of The Washington Herald adds to the opportunity of Washington business men.

RAILROAD MEN CONFER.

President Finley, of Southern, Meets Chief Traffic Officers.

A general conference was held yesterday afternoon between President Finley, of the Southern Railway, and twenty-four of the chief traffic officers of the road and its allied and subsidiary corporations. The meeting was held at the company's general offices, 1300 Pennsylvania avenue.

Matters pertaining to plans for the new fiscal year, which began July 1, were taken up. The freight and passenger business of the road was gone over, and the outlook for the future discussed. One of the officials said he thought business would pick up within the next thirty days, and that all the roads throughout the country would be operating the same number of trains they did several months prior to the falling off of business.

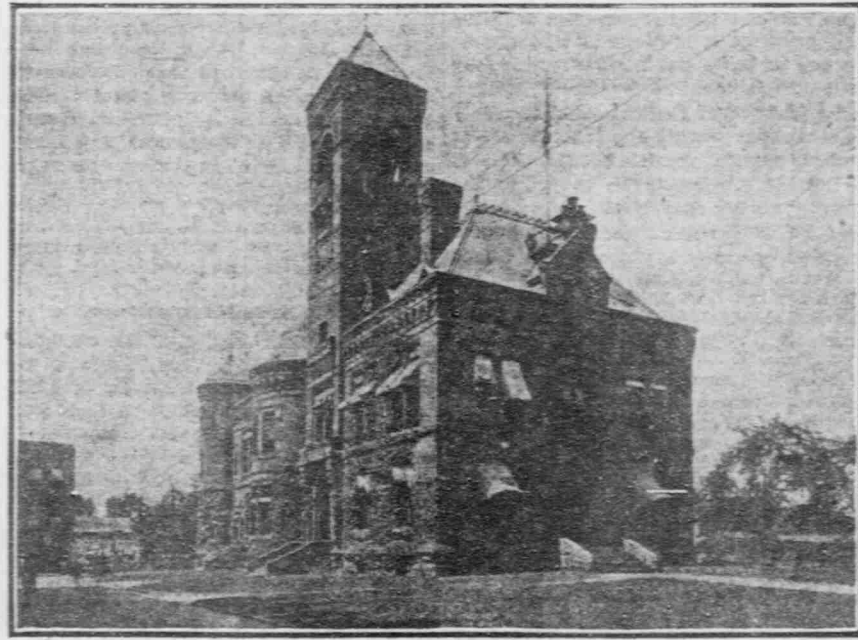
MUST CLOSE TRUNK SEWER.

Buffalo Gets Orders from Secretary of War Wright.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 27.—Luke E. Wright, Secretary of War, has formally notified the city of Buffalo that it must close its trunk sewer which empties into Niagara River.

The city is given until July 1, 1909, to act. In the notice from Secretary Wright it is stated when the city got permission from the State to construct the sewer the State reserved the right to revoke the notice and order the sewer closed. When the State decided the harbor lands under water to the government it conveyed also the right to close the sewer. The notice states that the order to close it is issued as a consequence of the government's work on the Black Rock Ship Canal.

This canal is to be twenty-three feet deep. The top of the sewer is twenty



United States Post-office, Charleston, W. Va.

feet below the original level of the harbor and about seventeen feet below its actual level. If the government dredges even twenty feet below actual level it would rip the sewer to pieces.

YOUNG OFFICERS A SURPRISE.

Elders Find They Know Much About Battle-ship Construction.

Newport, R. I., July 27.—If the unofficial reports that are emanating from the naval training station here can be believed, the younger naval officers at present engaged in the conference over battle-ship construction at the Naval War College are pushing themselves to the front.

The conference is still being held behind closed doors, but it was learned this evening, from an unofficial source, that the young officers have studied and are thoroughly informed upon the subjects under discussion. The older officers have therefore found themselves against a stiff proposition, for the opinions of the younger men have been found to be valuable and worthy of great respect.

Nothing Doing.

Democratic managers announce that they will not accept a campaign contribution of over \$10,000 from an individual. In that case we won't give a cent.

DEMOCRATS MEET TO NAME GOVERNOR

Minority Hopes to Win in West Virginia.

THREE AVOWED CANDIDATES

James Bennett, of Lewis County; Adam Littlepage, of Kanawha; and Prof. Hodges, of Monongalia, seek honor, while others are in Barks' position—Johnson Active.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Charleston, W. Va., July 27.—Recognizing the fact that there is a possibility of winning this fall, the Democrats of this State are at work just now fixing a ticket that is best suited to their interests, and for that purpose the State committee will meet to-morrow evening to take into consideration a number of matters which are said to be detrimental to the opposition.

Three avowed candidates are in the field for the nomination for governor—James Bennett, Lewis County; Adam Littlepage, Kanawha County; Prof. Hodges, Monongalia. Judge Johnson, of Mercer, is also understood to be in the race. Johnson arrived to-day, and to-night has a large number of men, representing fifteen counties, in his quarters. It is said that he foresees victory either for himself or for Hodges, the university man.

More Than One Ballot.

The fight for signal honors will be between William Chilton and John McGraw. The former is from the lower end of the State, and the latter from the eastern end. Each wanted to be a member of the national executive committee, and Col. McGraw won, succeeding himself. It is conceded that he will lend all possible aid to his man, Bennett, and the nominee for governor, but inasmuch as it is said that Johnson and Littlepage will each throw support to Hodges in case of defeat, it is believed that a hard fight will be on, and that more than one ballot will be required. A number of re-appeal candidates are suggested in case of a deadlock.

George Rypke, a newspaper man, is one of the candidates for secretary of state. For auditor there is Oscar Jenkins, of Wood; C. W. Wetzel, of Greenbrier, and J. B. Holt, of Pocahontas. J. Chambers, of Boone, is after the nomination for attorney general. C. W. Lee, of Jackson, looks like the nominee for State school superintendent, although he is opposed by I. R. Bush, of Summers, and Rev. H. H. Hickok, of Welch.

Race Suicide Not Here.

Col. John M. Hamilton, the man of a family of sixteen, will place Bennett in nomination. He is from Calhoun County. John W. Doors, of Clarkeburg, Harrison County, has charge of Hodges' campaign, and possibly will place him in nomination.

Mr. Littlepage has been looking after his own affairs, with the support of the Chiltons—"Will," "Joe," "Sam," and Booker. A warm fight is expected right after Mr. Bennett is nominated.

McGraw promises to either win with his man or get another one.

KING EDWARD IS FOR PEACE

British Ruler Tells His Aims to Big Conference in London.

Declares that He Will Continue to Work for International Harmony.

London, July 27.—In reply to an address to-day from the delegates to the Seventeenth Universal Peace Conference, King Edward made a strong appeal for peace, in which he said:

"There is nothing from which I derive more gratification than from the knowledge that my efforts in the cause of international peace have not been without fruit, and a consciousness of the generous appreciation with which they have been received both by my own people and those of other countries."

"Rulers of states can set before themselves no higher aims than the promotion of international good understanding, and cordial friendship among the nations of the world. It is the surest and most direct means by which humanity may be enabled to realize its noblest ideals, and its attainment will ever be the object of my constant endeavors."

More than 100 societies, representing sixteen countries, are in attendance. Edwin Meade and Benjamin F. Trueblood are among the prominent Americans present. The meetings are held in Canton Hall.

GREEK TROOPS DISBAND.

Granting of Constitution Brings Peace in Many Quarters.

Vienna, July 27.—Enver Bey, leader of the Young Turkey party, has sent a telegram, dated Saloniki, Sunday, stating that after the proclamation of a constitution had been made the Greek bands in the neighborhood of Monastir ceased into the town.

They will now return to Greece by sea from Saloniki. The Bulgarian bands are, Enver Bey says, melting away also, and the leaders have arrived at Nevrekep. The inhabitants of the towns—Turks, Bulgarians, and Greeks—went out to meet them.

GIVES BLOOD TO MOTHER.

New York Man Saves Life of Dying Parent.

Utica, N. Y., July 27.—Mrs. Joseph Derrick, of Rome, is alive to-day because her son, William Derrick, aged twenty-three years, gave nearly a quart of his blood for transfusion to her veins last night, when she was in a state of collapse following a severe hemorrhage.

The attending physician explained to the members of Mrs. Derrick's family her critical condition, and informed them that the only hope of saving her life lay in blood transfusion. Her son William, young and robust, promptly offered to give the quantity required, and lying beside his mother the operation was performed that sent his blood flowing through the dying woman's veins. So-day she recovered consciousness, and to-day had so far improved as to warrant the belief that she will speedily recover. Her son suffered no bad effects from his sacrifice beyond being greatly weakened.

Unfair.

From the Chicago News.
"How old are you now, Cyrus?" asked a visitor.
"I'm five," said the little man, but with a very disgusted air. "I would have been six long ago, only my mamma keeps me in dresses."

LIGHTNING HITS BARN.

Fire Destroys \$3,000 Worth of Maryland Man's Property.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Rockville, Md., July 27.—During a thunderstorm last evening, a barn on the farm of George Earl, three miles northeast of this place, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. It contained a lot of wheat and straw, which is included in the loss, amounting in the aggregate to about \$3,000. The storm brought the heaviest downpour of rain experienced here this summer.

Judge Henderson, of the Circuit Court, has given the corporate authorities of Rockville until August 20 to show cause why the anti-sewer injunction of the Stone Street heirs shall not issue as prayed. R. B. Peter and G. H. Lamar appeared for the heirs and Edw. Q. Peter for the corporation.

NEWS OF ALEXANDRIA

Thief Who Robbed Money Box in Church Escapes.

ARMORY CASE IS POSTPONED

Fight for Possession of Hall Will Not Be Recopened in the Court Until the September Term—Waste Paper Blaze Causes Fire Alarm to Be Sent in—Bryan and Kern Club Planned.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU.
(Bell Telephone 62.)
128 King Street.

Alexandria, Va., July 27.—The stranger who robbed the sanctuary box in the rear of St. Mary's Catholic Church yesterday afternoon has not yet been apprehended by the police.

According to the report made to the police, the man who is suspected of the robbery spent several hours on his knees yesterday afternoon as if in deep prayer. He occupied a rear pew, and the presumption is that when the church became vacant he robbed the box, pulling it from its fastenings on the west wall, afterward prying it open. The box, minus its contents, was found by one of the priests at 5 o'clock in the evening on the floor.

The fight for the possession of Armory Hall between Company G, Seventeenth Virginia Regiment, and the Alexandria Light Infantry will not be made until the September term of court. This was decided upon this morning, the agreement to hear the injunction proceedings at that time being satisfactory to attorneys representing both sides. Judge Barley, of the Corporation Court, July 6 issued a temporary injunction for thirty days restraining the officers or members of the Alexandria Light Infantry from in any way interfering with the new company in its use of the hall. Since then the new company has been in possession of the hall, and will continue to hold it until the injunction proceedings are settled. Attorneys Norton and Bowtie represent Company G, and the Alexandria Light Infantry is being represented by Attorney Samuel G. Brent.

A quantity of waste paper which had been placed in a stove which had no stovepipe in the office of the Southern Bell Telephone Company was set on fire at 7:20 o'clock this evening. The fire soon became filled with smoke, and the dense volumes of it pouring from the office caused a fire alarm to be turned in. The fire department responded, but the services of the firemen were not needed. A large crowd was attracted to the scene, as it was generally believed that the telephone office was on fire.

Local Democrats, it is understood, will shortly inaugurate a movement having for its object the organization of a Bryan and Kern club. No definite plans have yet been made, owing to the illness of Charles Bendheim, chairman of the Democratic city committee. A series of rallies will also be arranged for during the campaign.

It is expected that Rev. W. F. Watson, pastor of South Street Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., who recently resigned to accept the pastorate of the local church, will reach here the latter part of this week. He will assume charge of the church, the next Sunday. Plans will be made shortly by the congregation of the local church to tender Rev. Mr. Watson a reception.

A fine of \$10, with the alternative of spending sixty days in jail, was imposed on Thomas Farrell, colored, in the Police Court this morning for assaulting Mamie Jackson, colored, with a blackjack Saturday night. Farrell was unable to produce the necessary wherewithal and he went to jail.

Arrangements have been completed by the Elks' Dramatic Club for its annual excursion, which will be given to-morrow evening on the steamer Jamestown. A large number of tickets have been disposed of.

Rev. A. Willis Myers, pastor of the Free Methodist Church, to-day, in the Corporation Court, was granted permission to perform marriage ceremonies.

The cruiser Yankee sailed from this port at 3:45 o'clock this afternoon.

Dr. C. T. Brockett, of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brackett, 215 North Washington street.

At a meeting of Andrew Jackson Lodge of Masons to-night the Master Mason degree was conferred upon two candidates.

ABEL HELD FOR MURDER.

Widower Said to Have Slain Another Admirer of Girl.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Cumberland, Md., July 27.—George Abel, who was arrested, charged with the murder of John W. Chapman at Slanesville, W. Va., has been lodged in jail at Rome. Information from Slanesville to-day is to the effect that damaging evidence is in the hands of the State.

It is said that Abel accused Chapman, who boarded at the home of a young woman, with interfering with his plans regarding her. It is said that Abel, who is a widower, paid her attention. Mr. Chapman, it is said, was eating cake, presented to him by the young woman, when he was shot.

Prof. Lorain Fortney, late principal of Glenville (W. Va.) Normal School, has been elected principal of the Keyser preparatory branch of the West Virginia University. He succeeds Prof. T. W. Hought, who has accepted a professorship at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon.

C. Clark Kinkaid, aged fifty-eight, one of the best-known residents of Fairmont, W. Va., was electrocuted while repairing the Commercial Hotel in Fairmont. He came in contact with a live wire.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a special meeting of the Stockholders of the Mercantile Saving Fund Society, a corporation of the District of Columbia, is called by the Secretary, by order of the Board of Directors, and will be held on the 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1908, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., at the office of the Society, 1006 F street northwest, Washington, D. C., to consider and approve the action of the Board of Directors of the said Society in recommending the increase of the capital stock of the Mercantile Saving Fund Society to 10,000 shares of the par value of \$10.00 each, and to take such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

(Signed) JOHN D. LEONARD, Secretary.
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SHE GIVES UP RAYNER'S SON

Woman Who Eloped with Baltimore Man Repentant.

Said to Have Broken Down as Result of Publicity Given the Case.

Philadelphia, July 27.—Mrs. William H. Fisher, the wife of a leading banker of Baltimore, who eloped with William R. Rayner, son of United States Senator Rayner, of Maryland, deserting her husband and three children, is on the verge of physical collapse, because of the notoriety which has attended her escapades, and is said to be in a repentant mood.

She to-day refused further to discuss the episode. Just what plans Mrs. Fisher has for the future are purely speculative.

Mrs. Fisher, according to friends, is beginning to realize her mistake, and will probably agree to their request that she abandon any further idea of ever marrying Rayner and retire for a time to some quiet resort.

POLICE AID SHELLARD.

Colleagues Contribute \$5 Each Toward Defense Fund.

New York, July 27.—Charges that the New York police are a secret, oath-bound order, who will go to any point to protect their members, were given color to-day, as it was said that the 102 patrolmen of the Hamburg avenue station had each contributed \$5 to the defense of David Shellard, who is charged with the murder of Barbara Reig in the shelter house of Irving Square Park, Brooklyn.

It is also declared that the "system," the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, will assess its 7,000 members 50 cents each to save Shellard from the chair.

WEDS PRETTY "HELLO" GIRL

Newspaper Man Falls in Love with Pleasing Voice.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Roanoke, Va., July 27.—After a short and romantic courtship, which had its inception in a conversation over a telephone, Sumner M. Ramsey, editor of the Winston-Salem (N. C.) Journal, and Miss Sonora J. Sivers, a pretty young woman of this city, were married to-day at the home of the bride's parents.

The groom was formerly city editor of the Roanoke Times, and it was while filling that position that the couple "met" on the wire. Mr. Ramsey is a son of Prof. George Ramsey, of the Central University of Kentucky.

Annapolis Tax Ninety Cents.
Special to The Washington Herald.

Annapolis, Md., July 27.—The city council to-night fixed the tax rate at 90 cents, the same as last year. There was some argument on the proposition of making an increase of 10 cents to carry out the scheme of improvements, but in view of the bond issue this was not considered seriously.

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